

# STATE OF DELAWARE DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAID & MEDICAL ASSISTANCE POLICY AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UNIT

## MEMORANDUM

REPLY TO

ATTN. OF: Administrative Notice DMMA-07-2012

TO: All DMMA Staff

DATE: November 19, 2012

SUBJECT: Medicaid for Workers with Disabilities 2013 Unearned Income Disregard

### **BACKGROUND**

The Medicaid for Worker's with Disabilities Program (MWD) applies an unearned income disregard. The amount of this disregard is increased each year by the same percentage increase as the Social Security Administration Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA).

### **DISCUSSION**

Social Security Administration has announced a 1.7% COLA effective January 1, 2013. Currently an individual applying for the MWD program may not have unearned income in excess of \$990.00/month.

Effective January 1, 2013 the unearned income disregard for the MWD Program will be **\$1,007.00**. If an individual's unearned income exceeds that amount they will not be eligible for Medicaid under this program.

# **ACTION REQUIRED**

DCIS II will be updated with the new income standards.

### **DIRECT INQUIRIES TO**

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